

Basket Ball Tournay Starting Tonight

Tonight (Thursday) the district basketball tournament gets under way at 7:00 at the Grayling High school gym and will continue thru Saturday night.



Johannesburg and St. Mary's of Gaylord will officially open the tournament when their game gets under way at 7:00. This will be followed by the Mancelona-Grayaway game at 8:15 and the Gaylord-Grayling tilt at 9:30.

Friday at 8:00, the winner of Thursday's Johannesburg-St. Mary's game will tangle with Rosecommon while Frederic will play Vanderbilt at 9:15.

The winners of these two games will meet in the final Saturday at 8:00, then at 9:15 the Class "C" champions will be determined.

Prices for Thursday and Friday will be 20c and 35c with the admission of 25c and 40c Saturday.

Detroit Boys Win Senior Ski Tournay

EBBY OLSON IS LOCAL JUNIOR CHAMP

Last Sunday's first annual novice ski jumping tournament proved a thrilling event. There were 13 entrants in the senior class and three in the junior.

Don Roach and Ed Newman, both of Detroit, won 1st and second prizes respectively. Harold Newman, brother of Ed, was a close contender for second place. Four Grayling boys took part in the senior event—Jack Callahan, Hurl Deckrow, Rudy Harrison and Clement Blaine.

In the junior event Esbern ((Ebbby) Olson of Grayling won first place and Robert Sullivan of Prudenville, was second. Two Prudenville boys gave the winner plenty of competition.

Jack Callahan displayed excellent form but was out-distanced by the Detroit jumpers. Callahan was the only one of the Grayling group to land standing up. Ed Skimo of Detroit made an excellent showing considering this was his first attempt in ski jumping. According to Alfred Orhn, professional jumper and judge of the tournament, all the Grayling jumpers showed good form and, with more experience, should give good accounts of themselves.

Ebbby Olson, winner in the junior class, was hesitant about entering as this was his first experience, but made an excellent showing.

Alfred Orhn was the official judge, while Barney Schwerdt and Roy Trudgeon officiated as hill markers. Clarence Johnson was the official announcer and kept the crowd informed on just who was jumping and the results.

President C. J. McNamara, of Grayling Winter Sports, Inc., presented the prizes to the winners. The first prize in the senior class was a pair of \$7.50 ski poles; second prize a \$4.50 pair of ski bindings. In the junior class the first prize was a \$5.00 pair of ski poles and second prize a pair of \$3.00 ski mitts.

A crowd of about 700 were there to witness and to enjoy the contests.

This was the first official ski-jumping tournament to be staged at Grayling winter park, and is probably a forerunner of many bigger and better contests to be staged in the future. While the distance jumps were not great, next year, with a higher ski jump, these will be increased. Mr. Orhn, who holds a record jump of 228 feet made when he won the American championship in 1925, said this was the type of ski jump on which he began his jumping career. He praised the efforts made by these amateurs, and said that Grayling and other communities that were represented here should eventually be able to turn out a group of expert ski jumpers.

Winter Race Across Europe Great automobile event of Europe in winter is a race from Stavanger in Norway, right across Europe to Monte Carlo.

Niles Writer Takes Free Rider Apart

Walter Janery, Niles, under caption "Hitch Hiker No Pay" takes the free rider apart.

"A common sight to motorists throughout the country is the 'hitch hiker.' The average hitch hiker is not a person of financial resources, and it is natural to assume that he cannot afford an automobile but is simply looking for a free ride. The average citizen of a community does not deliberately relegate himself to the category of the free rider seeker. He wants to pay his way and demands the services to which he is entitled.

"There are many hitch hikers in every community who ride along with those who pay their way and demand much service from organizations which are supported by conscientious leaders. Chamber of Commerce throughout the country receive many demands from citizens who have no intent of contributing their share toward the support of the organization, but feel it is their right to get all the service that is due a Chamber of Commerce member. Some feel there is no reason for them to join the Chamber of Commerce as it is a going organization and being supported and that their support is not needed, but they are wrong, they automatically revert to the class of the hitch hiker. Do not let a friend or neighbor become a 'hitch hiker' if you can help it.

"The Chamber of Commerce is an organization for community service. It is continually seeking to build a better place in which to live and do business and is daily protecting the interests of all. Its large projects as well as its smaller projects, are persistently going forward, therefore, it must have the constant support of its entire membership, and continue to grow by adding new members."

Your subscription to the Grayling Chamber of Commerce will prove of benefit to your business and the community of Grayling. Your business depends to a great extent on the tourist trade and this class of trade must be cultivated. In subscribing to your Chamber of Commerce fund, you are helping to answer the many inquiries that come to the Chamber of Commerce, helping to make folders that picture and point out the many wonderful points of interest that we have here, in the summer as well as in the winter, help to create a better feeling of fellowship to our visitors. Everyone will admit that the tourist is the making of this community and the Chamber of Commerce is for the purpose of bringing them to Grayling.

Join the Chamber of Commerce and help put Grayling on the map to stay.

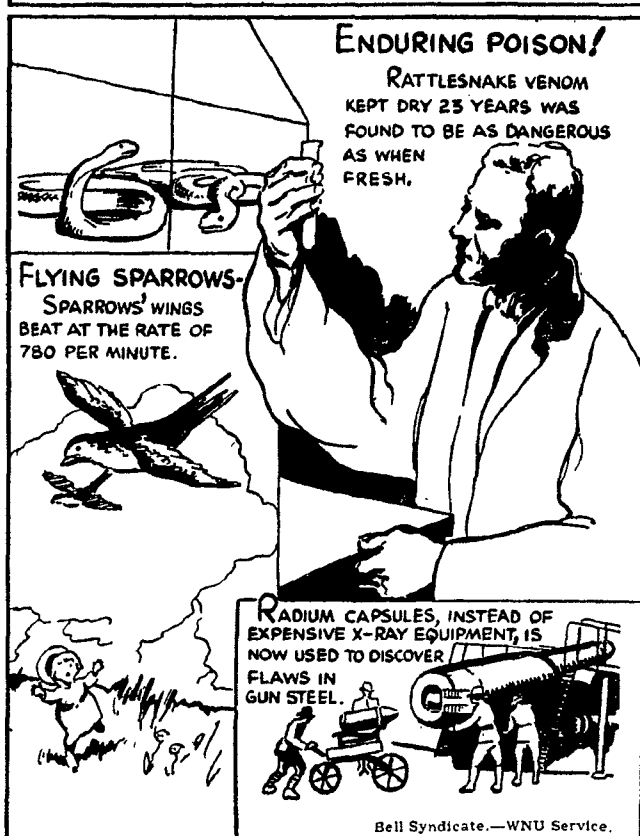
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Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts met in the school with 21 members present.

Most of the girls have their flags made. We also practiced the play which will be given March 12. Mr. Milnes donated the flag sticks. We wish to express our thanks to him.

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Kiwanis Club Staging Fathers-Sons Banquet

L. C. REIMANN, ANN ARBOR, PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

The annual Kiwanis fathers and son or daughter banquet will be held Thursday evening, March 7th at 6:45 o'clock at Michelson Memorial church banquet room. The dinner will be served by the Ladies Aid society of the church. The dinner will be 75c per person.

The speaker will be Lewis C. Reimann of Ann Arbor, selecting for his subject "I Would Be True."

Mr. Reimann has had many years of experience as a worker with youth. Graduating in 1916 from the University of Michigan, where he was prominent in athletics, he spent 23 years in close contact with high school and college students. He served as a director of religious and social activities at his university for seven years. For 23 summers he has directed camps for boys. He founded the University of Michigan Fresh Air Camp for boys, and for the past nine years has directed his own private camp, Camp Charlevoix, a character camp for boys, where he has made a specialty of character guidance. He is past Governor of the Michigan District of Kiwanis International, past president of the Ann Arbor Community Fund Board and president of the Ann Arbor High School P. T. A.

He has spoken before hundreds of audiences, P.T.A.'s, high schools, service clubs, commencements, father and son banquets, churches and young people's conferences and chambers of commerce.

Local Flying Club's Plane Damaged

BROKEN AXLE CAUSED SKI TO PIERCE FUSELAGE

When John Mallinger, a solo student of Grayling's Flying Club attempted to land his plane on Higgins Lake, an axle broke, causing a ski, with which the plane was equipped for winter flying, to puncher the under side of the fuselage. The damage was slight and temporary repairs were made by Menno Corwin thus allowing the plane to return to its hangar here in Grayling. A new axle has been installed and the plane is ship-shape again.

Several members of the club have been enjoying night flying during our present period of moonlight nights.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Sunday Services
10:00 a. m. Bible School.
At 11:00 a. m. Public worship.
Ever get the blues? Come to church. You will find there help in every time of need.
H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

ENTERTAIN WITH "AT HOME"

Mrs. D. Trevegno was at home to a large number of ladies at her very lovely new home Thursday afternoon from three to six o'clock.

Mrs. Trevegno received the guests in the living room, where large bouquets of spring flowers set off the attractiveness of the room.

Mrs. R. D. Connine presided at the tea table which was centered with yellow daffodils and blue iris and guarded with blue candles in crystal holders. Mrs. Trevegno was also assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Harry Connine.

CLARE KIWANIS VISIT GRAYLING

Members of Clare Kiwanis club visited the Grayling club Wednesday evening for an inter-club meeting. Also five members of the Traverse City club were guests. The usual meeting time of the local club was changed from noon to evening, and held in Shoppenagons Inn as usual.

The 8th district "travelling gavel," presented the district two years ago by the then Lieutenant Governor Shipp, has reposed with each club in the district except Grayling, and was brot from Traverse City to Grayling. From Grayling it will be carried to the Grayling club for final ownership.

The program for the evening was in the hands of the Clare club. There were several musical numbers and talks that were entertaining and inspiring. "A grand time was had by all." Grayling club will pay a return visit to Clare soon.

Report of Crawford County Red Cross

Crawford county has a total of 227 members in their 1940 roll call, which is 7 over their quota. The quota was set this year to 220, a raise of 20 over last year.

Grayling has 169 annual members, 3 contributing members and \$12.45 in contributions. Grayling township 27 members and \$4.00 contributions. Maple Forest 16 members; \$5.88 contributions.

Frederic 8 members. Beaver Creek 4 members; 50 cents contributions.

No report has been sent in as yet from Lovells, South Branch and the east side of Beaver Creek. Crawford county received an honor certificate for achievement in exceeding their quota.

The Weather

It looks as tho we may have winter for some time yet, just when the ice and snow is starting to melt and the sun is warm, we have another few days of snow. It is estimated that about 6 inches of snow has fallen since last Thursday afternoon. The thermometer dropped during the last few days and stayed around 20 degrees above zero. Friday and this morning, (Thursday) have been the coldest with the mercury registering 10 above at 6 a. m. Wednesday was the warmest, it being 38 above in the afternoon, with a wet snow falling during the day. We are hoping for better weather in the coming week.

Form Company to Mfg. Breakwater Boat Dock

LOCAL MEN PLEASED WITH NEW INVENTION

The writer was called into the office of Merle F. Nellist, by W. Ketzbeck last week to witness a demonstration of a working model of a new "adjustable concrete breakwater and boat dock."

It successful this promises to revolutionize the construction of breakwaters and boat docks on lakes and rivers.

The apparatus is an invention of Wm. Ketzbeck who will form a company for its manufacture. He says they will require a capital stock of from \$1,200 to \$1,500.

The company name, according to Mr. Ketzbeck, will be "Adjustable, Collapsible, Concrete Breakwater and Boat Dock Co."

The apparatus will be made of concrete in hollow squares about 30 inches wide and from one to four feet high. One section anchors to the bottom of the river or lake while the other stands on a slant on one edge of the bottom section. A deck three feet in width will extend from one end of the dock to the other.

In winter time the deck is removed and the upright section of the dock is easily collapsed so that all lies beneath the water where it is not affected by ice. This is handled easily and simply, with little time and effort. It is just as easily reassembled when desired.

DEFAULDED LOCAL BUSINESS MEN

Selling advertising for menus to local business men and then not delivering the job got one Charles McKinley, 54, into serious trouble. The charge of obtaining money under false pretenses was placed against him. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and \$39.85 costs by Justice Hans Petersen. As an alternative he would serve 90 days in the county jail. He chose the jail sentence.

McKinley's offense occurred in 1938, when he is reported to have taken orders for printed menus for hotels and restaurants, but failed to deliver them. He was arrested Saturday by State Police at New Hudson, and brot to Grayling for trial.

Upon completion of his sentence here he will be taken to Charlotte to face similar charges.

When solicitors come to your places of business it will be a good plan to call the secretary of your Chamber of Commerce before advancing money to strangers. Or call the Avalanche office. It is alright to be generous, and Grayling business men are just that, but it is also well to be assured that the soliciting party is not a fraud. Only recently Grayling business men invested \$83.00 in a broadcasting station in Alpena, and that is the last they will ever hear about their money, for the promoters are reported to have absconded.

FARM LOANS AVAILABLE

Emergency crop and feed loans for 1940 are now available to farmers in Crawford county, and applications for these loans are now being received at County Agent's office, Kalkaska, by Sabin Hooper on Saturday mornings. Written appointments are advisable.

These loans will be made, as in the past, only to farmers whose cash requirements are small and who cannot obtain a loan from any other source, including production credit associations, banks, or other private concerns or individuals.

As in former years, the money loaned will be limited to the applicant's necessary cash needs in preparing and cultivating his 1940 crops or in purchasing or producing feed for his livestock. Borrowers who obtain loans for the production of cash crops are required to give as security a first lien on the crop financed or, in the case of loans for the purchase or production of feed for livestock, a first lien on the livestock to be fed.

GRAYLING LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Services
10:00 Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—English services.
Lent Service—7:30 p. m.
P. C. Stockholm, Pastor.

Only Novel

Samuel Butler's "The Way of All Flesh" was his only novel and while it was written between 1873 and 1885, it was not published until after his death.

Letter on Winter Sports Problems

There is no doubt that this winter drew the largest crowds ever to participate in winter sports in Michigan. They were organized better and promoted better than ever before—and most important of all, the weather was right.

Weather is a gamble, it's agreed but now that the newspapers release weekly reports on snow and ice conditions, the tourist isn't taking much of a chance. With these reports now coming in, it might be possible next year, to schedule trains out of Ohio. The Ohio newspapers have shown an unusual interest in Michigan winter sports, which the Tourist Association has soft-pedaled in the past because of the weather factor. It is not good business to drag a gang of enthusiasts from quite a distance only to discover that there are no winter sports. But, now that Ohioans can have access to weather reports on ice and snow conditions, it isn't nearly as much of a gamble.

As yet, the local merchants and others, have not realized much directly from the winter trade, because it has been mostly Sunday business—a one-day affair. Indirectly, but none-the-less vitally, the town gets a tremendous boost out of the publicity and also, are strengthening their summer business by getting people in the habit of coming to their town.

What has to be done is to encourage the fans to stay for several days. This is vital if the winter business is going to become quite profitable. This can be accomplished, as we see it, by a greater encouragement of skiing (and we don't mean ski jumping). Ski trails have to be built, and built correctly. These trails must be mapped, marked and publicized. Competent instructors should be engaged. The history of Canadian and eastern winter sports proves beyond a doubt that the trend is toward skiing, and it is not necessary to have mountains to learn to ski enjoyably and correctly. The formation of local ski clubs which could rent cottages and cabins for the winter season should be encouraged.

Where consistent skiing is impossible, a good alternative in keeping visitors for several days is planned entertainment features—as many of our northern communities have discovered to their profit. Perhaps communities just beginning their winter sports for the first time should promote it locally, until they get the local people entirely sold on the idea before they attempt to bring in the outsiders.

It's possible that too much stress has been placed upon tobogganing. It's a popular sport, but the thrill soon wears off, and tobogganing cannot compete with other sports in which individual skill is a factor. Every week throughout the winter more and more skis and ice skates were seen at the parks.

It is fallacious thinking, too, to believe that only a few winter sports centers should be encouraged. Michigan is strategically located near the center of the population. There's enough room for everybody, and what helps one town usually helps another. Nowadays, tourists don't stay long in one spot, and the main idea is to keep them in Michigan.

We believe in boosting Michigan's winter attractions. Advertisements have been placed, winter sports promoted at the travel shows, a circle tour was staged resulting in considerable publicity space, photos and mats sent to newspapers, local committees were helped to organize their programs, and other activities. All this is expensive, but probably worthwhile, and we'll continue to do it.

And by the way, if anyone can think of a better idea than winter sports queens, our old offer of a prize still holds good. Queens are still good publicity, but we wonder if this promotional method isn't becoming a bit timeworn. Perhaps radio and newspapers are getting fed up.

Frank Davis,
East Michigan Tourist Ass'n.
Bay City, Michigan.

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that all those having accounts against Grayling Winter Sports, Inc., must submit their bills at once, and that any bills that are not submitted on or before March 30th will not be approved by the committee.

Signed,
Grayling Winter Sports, Inc.
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Tax Payers Attend Flint Meeting

Two hundred delegates representing local taxpayers' associations and cooperating civic societies with a total membership in excess of 20,000 citizens have returned to their home communities Saturday after their first state-wide convention, pledged to work for the spread of factual information on present high levels of government costs.

Members of the Genesee County Taxpayers Association acted as hosts, with the assistance of the state of the Michigan Public Expenditure Survey, Inc., whose aim is to help both newly-formed and previously existing tax study groups to find ways and means of achieving a lower cost level for the operation of local and state government.

In addition to exchanging views among themselves on the progress of the growth and spread of the citizen movement for the study of the costs of government which is now on a firm footing in more than half of Michigan's eighty-three counties, the delegates heard three important speeches before an audience of one thousand persons in the Flint Central High School Friday night, February 23.

Frank G. Arnold, of Fullerton, Nebraska, made his third appearance in Michigan since he began ten years ago a movement at lower local governmental costs in Nebraska, later extending his activities to cover the State of Colorado as well. He has cut millions from local tax bills in both those states and in conjunction with Fred A. Eldean, Director of the Tax Foundation, in New York City, another speaker at the convention, is helping to organize a national citizens' movement which already has affiliations with citizens' leagues in twenty states. New York, Illinois and Wisconsin are states which have Citizens' Public Expenditure Surveys like that in Michigan which first began to function in April, 1939. The third speaker was Dr. Lent D. Upson, of Detroit, whose career embraces thirty years of study and research in the field of governmental methods and costs.

Dr. Upson asked the delegates to have their local officers take the initiative in notifying either him or Hugh C. White, of Detroit, Director of the M.P.E.S., as to whether they prefer to see the constitutional amendment for County Home Rule again offered to the voters this Fall or Spring. Since all previous amendments (Continued on last page)

20,000 WAYS TO MAKE A LIVING

What can be done to increase employment? What is the best way to look for a job? When is the best time? Where are the biggest opportunities? Is there a shortage of "brain workers"? Does a college education pay? The answers to these questions will be given in a series of articles on job-hunting by a famous employment authority, Lyle Spencer. Spencer is director of Science Research Associates, an organization that is changing job-hunting from a gamble to a science. Today, he heads a staff that keeps the nation informed on 20,000 ways to make a living—and his staff is PAID \$100,000 annually for the information. Watch for the first in this series of timely and important articles, in This Week, the colorgrature magazine with next Sunday's Detroit News.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 29, 1940

FRANK D. McKAY
FOR GOVERNOR (?)

Political Commentator Frank Morris in his Sunday piece in the Detroit Times proposes Frank D. McKay for governor on the ground that he has the power why not the office? Out-stater Laurence Towse says pretty much the same thing in his Jonesville Independent viz, that the Grand Rapids chief must have something on the ball to enjoy all the influence claimed for him. All of which makes sense. Mr. McKay is a genius, is always personable, has a flair for organization and everyone agrees that few men are better informed on state business. His candidacy would give the rank and file voter a chance to approve or reject the Grand Rapids man and his well known philosophy of government.—Charlotte Republican-Tribune.

Registration
Notice.

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the Town Hall all day

Tuesday, March 12th

for the purpose of reviewing the electoral register and registering for the annual Township election all qualified electors who shall personally come before me.

Annual Township Election Monday, April 1st.

Dan C. Babbitt,
Twp. Clerk.

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BLUE POINT

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BUSINESS DISLOCATIONS RESULTING FROM THE WORLD WAR COST THIS COUNTRY OVER \$200,000,000,000!

Worship of Sun Linked

To Stone Age Farmers

Worship of the sun as a distinct object apparently did not start until the new Stone age, when man had developed a crude agriculture. In the old Stone age all nature was looked upon as "a great human ghost," the spirits of the dead were supposed to enter into natural objects and the trees, animals, rocks and clouds were endowed with human qualities.

With the advent of crops regularly sown and harvested, the one natural object upon which these crops depended was singled out for special reverence, writes a correspondent to the Wisconsin Star. A great wealth of sun symbols is first noted in this period of pre-history. The paintings and carvings of old Stone age men show no designs that can be connected directly with the sun.

Worship of the sun has gone around the earth. It was a prominent part of the religion of ancient Egypt, where at one time it was refined into a monotheistic system, which ranks as one of the world's great religions. It was almost universal among American Indian tribes, reaching its greatest refinement among the Incas of Peru, where the rulers were supposed to be directly descended from the sun. The Japanese ruling family traces its mythological descent from the same source.

Twinkling Stars

The twinkling of stars is a rapid shaking or vibration of their light caused mainly by the turmoil of the atmosphere—currents and strata of different temperatures intermingling and flowing past one another. A star's light seems to come from a mere point, so that when its rays are scattered by irregular refraction, at one instant very few rays reach the eye, and at another many. This accounts for the seeming changes of brightness in a twinkling star. Ordinarily the bright planets are not seen to twinkle because of their large apparent disks, made up of a multitude of points, which therefore maintain a general average of brightness.

Discovery of Aluminum

The elementary nature of aluminum was recognized by the English scientist, Sir Humphry Davy, but not isolated until 1825, when Wohler at Göttingen succeeded in decomposing aluminum chloride. In France, Deville in 1854 obtained it by electrolysis. The manufacture of aluminum on a large scale was due to the discovery of C. M. Hall in 1886 that the oxide could be electrolyzed in solution in molten cryolite.

Barn Fires Costly

Barn fires are among the most common causes of fire losses on the farm.

EXPECTED TOO MUCH

The Smithsons went away for their annual summer holiday and gave Jane, their maid, a month's wages and an allowance for board. On their return, four weeks later, Jane demanded further wages.

Mrs. Smithson was naturally horrified.

"Gracious, Jane," she exclaimed, "this is monstrous! You already get better pay than most of the girls in the town. Why, you've only just had a holiday with full wages! You should consider yourself very fortunate."

"That's just it," said Jane. "You paid me that money for doing nothing, so it isn't fair to expect me to do all the work now for the same wages."

Plenty of Difference

An Irishman married to a Scots-woman took a woman friend of the family out to lunch. Knowing that his wife was not of a jealous disposition, he mentioned the matter to her when he came home. To his surprise she became angry.

"But you sometimes go out to lunch with men who are our friends," protested the husband, "and I don't object. What is the difference between the two cases?"

"The difference," snapped the wife, "is in the bill. In one case you pay it; in the other case I save it."

Poor Land

Two Scotsmen were awaiting the arrival of their train when their attention was directed to an extremely modern young damsel, complete with rouge, lipstick and powder, who was tripping gaily along the platform.

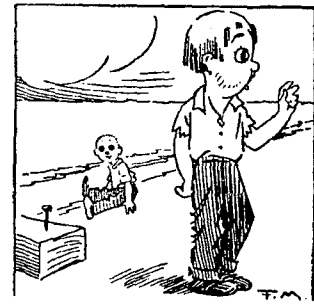
The two gazed speechless for a while, then one of them spoke.

"Man, Tammas, and what d'ye think o' that, now?"

"Naethin' ava," was the reply.

"It's mighty purr land that needs aae muckle top-dressin'!"

SIGNS OF CULTURE



First Castaway—Yep, this island's inhabited, all right. Just saw four white men, all drunk.

The Other One—Thank Heaven! We're in a civilized country.

Somebody Else Interested

The teacher was explaining to the class the meaning of the word "recuperate." "Now, Tommy," she said to a small boy, "when your father has worked hard all day, he is tired and worn out, isn't he?"

"Yes ma'am."

"Then, when night comes, and his work is over for the day, what does he do?"

"That's what mother wants to know."

Tried and Tested

Jim (from top of building from which three wires dangle)—Red, catch hold of that wire.

Red—All right.

Jim—Feel anything?

Red—No.

Jim—Well, don't touch the other two; there's 2,300 volts on them!

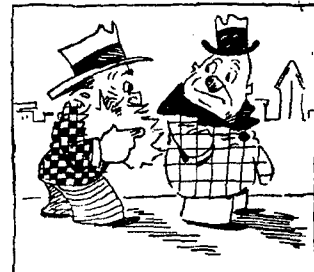
The Hard Way

"I want you to understand," said Young Spender, "that I got my money by hard work."

"Why I thought it was left to you by a rich uncle!"

"So it was, but I had to work to get it away from the lawyers."

DON'T BELONG TO RIGHT BIRD



"Is'mist"—And why won't you join either the right wing or the left wing of my party?

Plain Citizen—"Cause they ain't the wings of the American eagle, you see."

Oh, Well

First Electrician—Have we any four volt, two watt bulbs?

Second—for what?

First—No, two.

Second—Two what?

First—Yes.

Talk Fast!

"My daughter certainly cured her Scotch boy friend of stuttering."

"How?"

"She called him up long distance—collect."

Sort of a Rainbow

Smith—I understand Brown's wife has a very colorful personality.

Jones—Yes, she's either white with rage, black with despair, green with envy or rosy with happiness.

Many Ancient Traditions

Surround Use of Cheese

On a midsummer eve, a maiden, having fasted all day, should lay a clean cloth with bread, cheese and ale, and sit down at midnight as if to eat. Her destined husband will then, if tradition is justified, be drawn to enter the room and drink a toast to her.

This is one of many samples of old English cheese-lore, collected in "At the Sign of the Cheese."

New Year's day greetings, it appears, should properly conclude with the jingle.

May you of potatoes and herrings have plenty,
With butter and cheese and each other dainty.

Christmas eve cheese, on the other hand, according to a North Riding custom, should be marked with a cross and associated with barley meal and (sometimes) gin.

As for May day, the proper Randwick (Gloucestershire) procedure used to be to roll three cheeses, garlanded with flowers, three times around the village church before their ceremonial dissection by the villagers, says the Montreal Gazette.

Hungerford, at Hocktide, favored punch with its cheese, adding to this mixture macaroni and watercress.

Going further back into history, it is surmised that the delicacy which Jael served to Sisera on a lordly dish before murdering him was most probably cheese, and it is recalled that cheese made from the milk of sheep and goats was one of the few common articles of diet mentioned by Homer.

In Ireland, cheese is said to have had an honored place in the gold-plated banquets of Tara.

Moreover, each English county had once its own variety of cheese. Among those which are now almost forgotten are mentioned the cheeses of Shropshire, Banbury, Norfolk, Essex, Kent, Sussex, Suffolk, and Cotherstone (Yorkshire).

All this and much other interesting information about cheese has been collected by the New Zealand Dairy board, by which the booklet in question is issued. Approximately half the cheese consumed in Britain, it is pointed out, now comes from that dominion. The average consumption in England is 9 1/2 pounds per head a year, compared with eight and seven-tenths pounds 20 years ago.

Snake River Valley
Is 7,900 Feet Deep

The deepest gash in the North American continent is not the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, as most people believe, but the canyon of the Snake river in Idaho. At its deepest point the Snake river canyon is 7,900 feet while the canyon of the Colorado reaches 5,650 feet. The Snake river canyon averages for 40 miles a depth of 5,500 feet, which is almost equal to the Grand canyon at its deepest point.

Otis W. Freeman, head of the department of Geology and Geography of the Eastern Washington college of education, Cheney, Washington, points out that the Snake river canyon is also one of the last remaining pioneer areas in America, some 200 people, including 40 families living in the canyons 75-mile length.

Much less spectacular than the Colorado, the Snake river canyon "is both the narrowest and the deepest gash in the North American continent," he states. From the summit of He Devil peak, seven miles east of the river, to the edge of the river the depth is 7,900 feet; from Bright Angel point, an equal distance from the Colorado, the depth is 5,650 feet. From Huntington, Ore., to Lewiston the Snake river descends on an average nine feet to a mile, in some stretches more than 12 feet to a mile.

Legislative Mace

The famous mace in the house of representatives was probably last used during the Sixty-fifth or War congress, when heated words passed between Representative Tom Hefflin of Alabama and Representative Patrick Daniel Norton of North Dakota. Norton approached Hefflin beligerently, but before any damage could be done the sergeant at arms came between them with the mace. Mr. Hefflin figured in another incident with Representative John L. Burnett of his own state during the same hectic session. Mr. Hefflin, a leading advocate of war with Germany, had made some remarks which were construed as casting aspersions upon the patriotism of members opposed to the passage of the resolution which took America into the World war, whereupon Mr. Burnett inquired why his colleague did not go to war himself. The mace was required to restore order.

Millions of Meteors

Scientists estimate that about a million meteors enter the earth's atmosphere every year. Space is filled with these star fragments; astronomers think that many of them are the remnants of comets which have disintegrated. Of the myriads that annually strike the earth, however, fewer than 10,000 weigh more than half a pound. In all history, there is no record of a human being having been hit by one. When a meteor hits the ground and stops traveling it becomes a meteorite. The Greeks and Romans worshipped at least three of these as gods. The Kaaba stone in Mecca, believed holy by Moslems, is probably a meteorite.

Personals

Mrs. Joseph McLeod is spending this week visiting relatives and friends in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Leslie and son Gary of Flint spent the week end visiting their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Butler spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Caro visiting Mrs. Butler's parents.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson and Mrs. Ernest Larsen were in Saginaw and Detroit last of last week, on pleasure and business.

William Sherman of Mancelona visited his uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sherman, Thursday.

John Bruun left Saturday for Miami, Florida, on business. He expects to be gone about ten days.

Mrs. Marie Kristoffersen returned home Saturday after a month's visit with relatives and friends in Flint.

Mrs. John Libcke and Bob Hanson of Detroit spent the week end visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Conners and children of Top-In-A-Bee spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Conner's mother, Mrs. Agnes DeFrain.

Mrs. Charles Melichar and daughters, Anita and Barbara, enjoyed visiting relatives in Traverse City from Friday to Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bugby, Howard Winterlee, Roy Lovely, and Roy Bishaw of East Jordan, spent Monday in Grand Haven on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Woodbury and daughter Mary Lou of Bay City visited Mrs. Woodbury's mother, Mrs. Clara McLeod, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Wilber of Battle Creek spent the week end in Grayling, after which they are vacationing two weeks in the upper peninsula.

Misses Janice Entsminger, Norberta Weiss, Elsie Mae LaMotte and Don Peterson and James Weiss spent Sunday visiting friends in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacNeven left Monday to spend several weeks touring Florida, expecting to be at Lakeland a large part of the time visiting "Birdie" Tebbets.

Mrs. Harry Reynolds of Midland is in Grayling looking after the business affairs at Spike's Keg O' Nails, while her brother, Harold MacNeven, and wife, are enjoying a sojourn in the south.

Saturday, Robert Priest and family of Houghton Lake visited the former's father, Alfred Priest, who is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Tinker. Mr. Priest is recovering nicely however.

Mrs. C. G. Clippert drove to Kalkaska Tuesday to meet her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Webb, who were returning from Indianapolis, Ind., where they have been visiting their son, Lloyd M. Webb, for the past three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Twa of Marshall, Mich., were guests of Mrs. Fuller's mother, Mrs. Susie Magoun over the week end. The party enjoyed the winter sports.

Henning Knudsen, who has been making his home in Grayling with headquarters at the Carl W. Peterson home, left last week for Jackson, where he expected to find employment. Mr. Knudsen came to Grayling last fall directly from Denmark to learn the American customs. He was employed for Kerry & Hanson Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Herbison entertained the latter's niece Miss Queenie Bunker of Detroit, who was accompanied by Mr. Corry McDonald of Butte, Montana. They brought their skis with them and spent most of their time at the winter sports park. Mr. McDonald is quite clever on skis as he enjoys this sport in Montana. This was their first visit here and they were very enthusiastic about this northern country.

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Carl Bliss, caretaker of Wa-Wa-Sum, made a business trip to Toledo the first of the week.

Frank LaMotte and James Bugby spent Thursday in Standish and Pinconning on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vallad and Mrs. LaLone of Standish, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Chalker over the week end.

Oliver Cody who is employed on the railroad out of Detroit, spent the week end visiting his family. Mrs. Cody spent last week visiting friends in Detroit and accompanied him home.

Mrs. Norman Butler substituted for Miss Ruth Patten in the kindergarten and first grade of the South side school, Thursday and Friday of last week and Monday of this week. Miss Patten attended the funeral of a relative in Indiana.

Mrs. Oscar Schumann left Friday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Bauer, Jr., in Saginaw, and from there on Monday went to Fort Wayne, Indiana, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Arnold E. Smith, and, incidentally, to meet her new infant granddaughter, Grace Ann.

Chemical Treatment for Fish
Chemical treatment of freshwater fish to produce fish preparations similar to those made out of sea fish has been proposed in Hungary, according to the American Chemical society. The purified fish is freed of scales, disintegrated, and soaked in a solution containing common salt, calcium sulfate, magnesium sulfate, magnesium chloride, ferric oxide, and alum in amounts which saturate the fish with the components of salt water. The treatment softens the bones of freshwater fish at the same time.

Barber Chair

A pony at Santa Rosa, Calif., has been ridden by more than 30,000 children. It is a local barber's idea of solving the problem of keeping children quiet when having their hair cut. The pony is attached to his barber's chair. He sets the youngsters on it, gives them the reins and quickly cuts the locks.

Rare Old Whisky

In 1875, H. Groupe, of Huntington, Ind., inscribed his name and the date on a time plate, fastened it to a bottle of whisky and placed it in the wall of a new building. Recently workmen razed the structure and found the bottle. Instead of rare old whisky, it contained only a tasteless liquid.

International Ice Patrol
The International Ice patrol was organized on an international basis as a result of the International Conference for the Safety of Life at Sea, in London, 1913. It resulted from a universal demand for a protection of steamships against icebergs in the North Atlantic area after the loss of the Titanic in April, 1912. The United States was asked to undertake the management of this service and agreed to send two vessels to patrol the danger area during iceberg season, March 1 to July 1. Each of the contracting parties consented to bear a share of the cost in proportion to its shipping tonnage.

Faulty Memory Pays

Even a faulty memory has its advantages. William Henn, an 18-year-old mill worker, walked out of an Allentown, Pa., doctor's office with the wrong bottle of medicine in his pocket. The bottle he carried contained deadly poison. When the doctor discovered the mistake he futilely instituted a frantic search for the youth, enlisted the aid of teletype and other means of communication. Hours later when Henn returned home to his worried family they asked anxiously, "Have you taken any of your medicine?" The youth snapped his fingers self-reprovingly, remarked: "Gosh, I forgot!"

Typical American Mother

In the list of qualifications outlined by the Mother's Day committee of the Golden Rule foundation, it is stated that the typical American mother must have an outstanding record as a successful mother, this standard not to be fixed by the size of her family but by the character, personality and success of her children. Her character must be real, displaying courage, moral strength, patience, kindness and understanding. In addition, she must have a sense of social and world relationships and have found time outside her home for participation in work for community betterment.

Want Ads

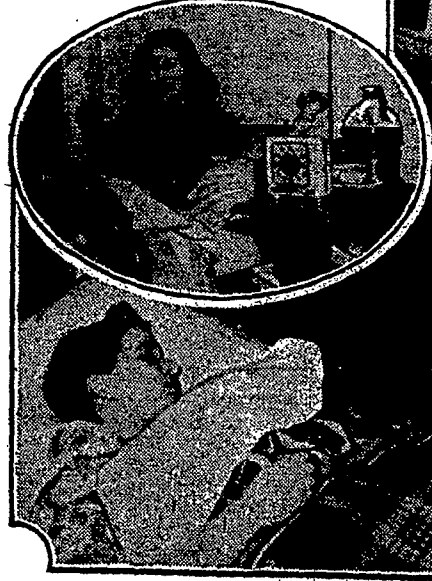
WANTED—Girl, 15 years old, wants work taking care of children evenings or week ends. Phone 3681.

FOR RENT—4 room modern apartment. Inquire of Rasmussen Lumber Co. Phone 3651.

FOR SALE—Business block on Main street, formerly location of Grayling postoffice. Now occupied. See me for particulars. O. P. Schumann. Phones 3111 and 3121.

Students Debunk Food Myths

Does coffee really keep you awake? Students of the New York Institute of Dietetics say "no," after testing the matter thoroughly in the first of a series of investigations of popular food myths. Groups of students drank coffee, decaffeinated coffee, milk or milk with caffeine added just before retiring—and found that, no matter what they drank, they slept as well as usual. Below, Nurse Johnson checks a student's sleep, and (insert) Alice Murphy records her reactions on awakening.



Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, March 1, 1917

Three new species of fish will be planted in the AuSable river dam ponds next summer. They are the land-locked salmon, the Chinook salmon and the Rocky Mountain whitefish. Montana grayling were planted in the upper branches of the AuSable in 1914.

Mrs. O. W. Hanson was hostess to eighteen ladies on Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Wilhelm Raab. The party included the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Raab. The ladies enjoyed the afternoon visiting as they sewed.

Word was received the forepart of the week of the arrival of a twelve pound son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Shoemaker of Flint, former residents of Grayling.

John J. Niederer and his crew of workmen are filling the Michigan Central ice house this season. The ice is about 25 inches thick and clear as crystal.

Sophia, the little two year old daughter of Mrs. Nels Larson passed away Tuesday from tuberculosis of the lungs from which she had been suffering the past ten months. The father of the little girl passed away of the same disease about a year ago.

The Washington birthday dinner given at the Social club rooms on Thursday evening was a very enjoyable affair. As the guests were seated, a tiny white table in the center of the room with two tiny chairs were left vacant. A minute later, the door opened and a miniature George with Martha leaning upon his arm entered and took the vacant seats amid loud applause. Virginia Hanson was dressed as Martha and Edward Mason as George.

A party that was very well attended and was one of the most enjoyable affairs of this season, was the masquerade dancing party given by the Danish Brotherhood society at the Temple theatre Saturday evening. Those receiving honors for the best costume were: Mrs. Jess Schoonover, in Norwegian dress; Guy Peterson, as farmer, and Miss Nina Peterson in Spanish dress. Judges were Fred R. Welsh, L. M. Edwards and Robert Reagan.

Miss Dorothy Pond, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pond was united in marriage to Mr. McKinley Rolson of Mt. Pleasant at the home of the bride's parents Tuesday evening. Only the immediate relatives of the bride were present at the ceremony, which was performed by Justice O. F. Schumann. The bride was dressed in a pretty white figured voile, and was attended by her sister, Mrs. Myrta Strandberg; and the groom by Mr. Herbert Walters. Immediately after the ceremony a fine

four course dinner was served. The young couple will make their home in Mt. Pleasant for the present.

Photographer James Wingard was at the State game preserve two days last week and while there made some fine photographs of the elk and deer. Among them is one showing two bull elk with their horns locked in conflict.

The old office building at the Michigan Central roundhouse has been replaced with a modern and much more convenient structure. This is just completed and Supt. E. A. Mason and his men have been busy moving into the new quarters. This is located opposite the passenger depot, across the tracks.

Many pretty pre-nuptial affairs have been given during the past week to honor Miss Hattie Kraus, whose marriage to Mr. Wilford Cohen of Detroit took place Wednesday evening. Thursday evening of last week Miss Mildred Bunting gave a miscellaneous shower. Mrs. L. J. Kraus gave an apron shower Saturday evening in honor of Miss Kraus and Monday evening Miss Marie Foreman was hostess at a miscellaneous shower in her honor also. All were lovely affairs and were enjoyed by all present.

Jacob Knecht, an aged resident of this city and a Civil war veteran, passed away Wednesday at the home of his son John from the infirmities of old age. He had reached the eighty year mark and for some time past had been in a feeble condition. He leaves to mourn his passing, two daughters, one who resides in Iowa and one in the southern part of Michigan; also four sons, George, John, David and Fred.

Lovells News (23 Years Ago)

F. J. Spencer is finishing rooms on the fourth floor of the North Branch Outing club house to be in readiness to meet the demands for the coming fishing season.

Everyone was glad to see the cedar arriving and expect to soon hear the toot of the mill whistle again.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy on Monday, February 26, passing away the same day.

Frederic School Notes (23 Years Ago)

Erma and Bertram Brassuer have left school.

Eldo Johnson and Meredith Cameron of the first year Junior High had the best arithmetic papers last week. They also stood next to Morey Abrahams in the second year work.

Roy McDermid received the highest mark in agriculture and Meredith Cameron the highest mark in Michigan History.

HIS AMBITION

"Good gracious, professor," said the friend to the music teacher, "surely you cannot give that tenor a letter of introduction to the Director of Paris Opera! He is an ignorant, bumptious student, and I always thought you detested him."

"My friend," replied the professor quietly, "have you noticed the grand staircase of the Paris Opera house?"

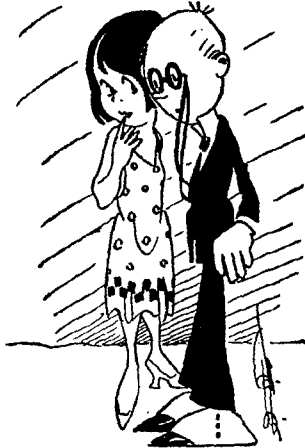
"Yes, but what has that to do with it?"

"It is 150 feet high, and its steps are solid blocks of polished marble."

"Well?"

"I want to see him kicked down every one of them."—Montreal Star.

HONEST OPINION



He—What's your honest opinion of me, dearest?

She—I really think you'll make some good girl a husband.

No Duplicate Wanted

Ole Olson's old auto had caught fire and burned up. As it was insured, he went to the insurance office to get his money. He was handed a claim blank to fill out and was told that he couldn't get the money but that the insurance company would replace his car with another one equally good.

"Oh," Ole exclaimed, "if that's the way you do business, give me back the money I paid you the other day for that insurance policy on my wife's life!"

Age of Speed

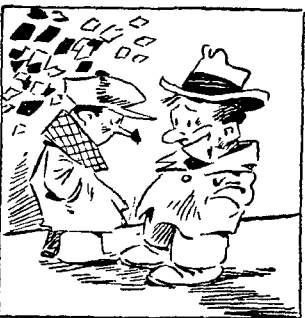
A Georgian from up in the mountains came to town on his annual trip with a load of corn, sweet potatoes and other produce to exchange for groceries. As he neared the city he saw a sign: "Speed Limit 15 Miles an Hour." Prodding his oxen frantically with a stick he muttered: "By golly! I don't believe we can make it!"

Easy

Lawyer—You say the fence was seven feet high and you were standing on the ground, and yet you could see what was going on inside that fence? Remember, you are under oath.

Witness—Don't get so hot up, Mister Lawyer. There was a knothole in the fence.

STATE OF IGNORANCE



Native—Last week the boys hung our mayor in effigy.

Tourist—So! Where is Effigy?

Times Change

"Now, sir," the prosecutor stormed at the defendant, "I'll ask you if you weren't convicted on the twentieth of March, 1926, on the charge of bootlegging?"

"Oh, yes," the prisoner admitted with assurance, smiling in a friendly way at the jury, "but I ain't got you for my lawyer this time."

On the Trail

Private Detective—As instructed, madam, I have followed your husband. He went into eight dress shops, three beauty parlors, five millinery establishments and—

Madam—What on earth for?

Detective—He was looking for you, madam.

Good Mother

"Is young Mrs. Whoofley a good mother?"

"Good? Why she's marvelous! I have seldom seen anyone more careful when hiring a nurse for her children."

Your Choice

"What are Smith's two daughters like?"

"The elder is terribly simple and the younger is simply terrible."

He'll Be Notified

Constructor—Does the foreman know that the trench has fallen in?

Laborer—Well, sir, we're digging him out to tell him.

Minute Lesson

"Did you ever find something when you were looking for something else?"

"Yes—experience."

Ha'r Coloring, Disposition Show Definite Relation

The frequently expressed theory that there is no greater difference between blonde, brunette and red-haired women than between three automobiles of the same model painted in different colors has been disproved by British scientists.

The three types, scientists declare, are as distinct from each other as three human races, and there is ample evidence that they have been distinct races before humanity became so thoroughly mixed up by emigration and intermarriage.

The striking differences between the three types of women include the fact that a blonde averages 150,000 separate hairs on her head, a brunette has between 80,000 and 130,000, and a redhead may have as few as 25,000 because red hair is coarser than blonde or brunette.

Blondes' skins are not really white, nor are brunettes' skins really brown. They each contain large quantities of red, orange, yellow, green, blue indigo and violet. A blonde has more yellow in her skin than a brunette, a brunette has less green or green blue than a blonde and "redheads" have a more equal blending of all the colors.

A blonde really can turn green when the blood leaves her cheeks as a result of the sudden shock or nausea, because the extra green pigment in her skin then becomes more prominent, the scientists explained.

Blondes and redheads are susceptible to skin affections. A real brunette virtually is immune. Brunettes seldom suffer from infantile paralysis and disease of the nervous system. Blondes are martyrs to the common cold, influenza and disease of the lungs. Brunettes usually have the best teeth. Blondes and redheads are often victims of rheumatism and rheumatic fever.

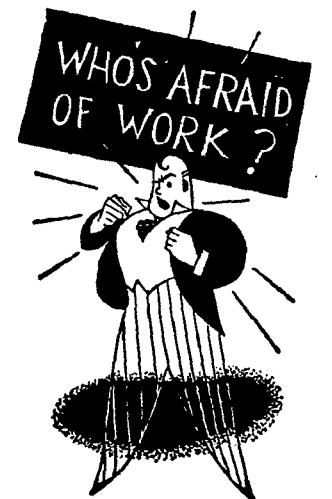
There is also a great mental as well as a physical difference between the three types. Blondes give way to excesses of rage and grief. They are more likely to kill those who have thwarted them than the other types.

Mirage Explained

A mirage is due to conditions existing in the atmosphere. As a result of deviation of the rays of light caused by refraction and reflection, objects seen with the eye appear in unusual positions and often multiple or inverted. One cause of a mirage in the desert is the diminution of the density of the air near the surface of the earth often produced by the radiation of heat, the denser stratum being thus placed above instead of, as is usually the case, below the rarer.

Northern Palm Belt

The northernmost palm belt is at North's island, North Carolina.



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An article in The American Weekly, with the March 3 issue of The Detroit Sunday Times, will point out that eight men, interested in the treasure, died violently before an engineer tried to find the riches of Old Mexico, thought to be buried near the great stadium. And now his suicide seems to bear out the historic "Curse of Calahuenga Pass." Be sure to get Sunday's Detroit Times.

Gone!—The High Cost Of My Stomach Troubles

Don't pay \$3.00 to \$5.00 for relief from stomach pains, indigestion, due to excess acidity. Try Adia Tablets—3 weeks' supply only \$1.25. Relief or your money back. Sold at all drug stores.

Expensive Texas Water

Engineers estimated recently that 36,000,000 acre feet of water, worth about \$36,000,000, flow uncontrolled and unused each year from Texas watersheds into the Gulf of Mexico.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED.

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with fifty per centum additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, which fee shall be the same as provided by law for service of subpoenas or for orders of publication or the cost of such service by registered mail, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges: Provided, That with respect to purchasers at the tax sale held in the years 1938, 1939 and 1940 the sum stated in such notice as a condition of reconveyance shall only be all sums paid as a condition of the tax title purchase, together with ten per centum additional thereto. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

County of Crawford.

W¹/₂ of NW¹/₄ Sec. 1, Town 27, Range 3. A. Mount paid \$53.90, tax for years 1927-1935 inclusive.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$59.29 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

Arthur Howse,

Place of business Grayling, Mich.

To Edward Smith and Robert King, last grantees in the regular chain of title of such lands, or of any interest therein, as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said county, at the date of the delivery of this notice to the Sheriff for service.

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2-29-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN

(Leon Babbitt Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said County, on the 13th day of February A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Leon Babbitt, Mental Incompetant.

Dan C. Babbitt and Jeanne Babbitt having filed in said court their petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described, at private sale.

It is ordered, That the 11th day of March A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

2-15-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN

(John A. Schram Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said County, on the 19th day of February A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of John A. Schram, deceased.

Leo Schram having filed in said court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is ordered, that the 18th day of March A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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2-22-4

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BLUE GOOSE LINES

English in Norway English is taught in public schools in Norway. American visitors usually can converse with the country people as well as with city dwellers.

STATE OF MICHIGAN (Feargus B. Squire Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said County, on the 5th day of February A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Feargus B. Squire, Deceased.

John Bruun having filed in said court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is Ordered, That the 4th day of March A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

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2-8-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN

(Joseph J. Royce Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph J. Royce, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that 2 months from the 1st day of February A. D. 1940, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the City of Grayling, in said county, on or before the 6th day of April A. D. 1940, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 8th day of April A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated January 26, 1940.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

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Dated January 26, 1940.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

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(John A. Schram Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said County, on the 19th day of February A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of John A. Schram, deceased.

Leo Schram having filed in said court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is ordered, that the 18th day of March A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

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Lovells

Jack Caid is home again after being in Detroit since December.

Mrs. Cora Nephew who was spending the winter in Kalkaska, came home to care for the Francis Nephew family, as Mrs. Francis Nephew is ill in the hospital.

Mrs. John Selley is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pomeroy of Pontiac were visitors in Lovells last week.

Some of the Lovells folks attended the smelt supper at Grayling, given by the Moose.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Nephew are spending a week visiting in Saginaw, Detroit and Pontiac.

Paul Loffler has leased his beer garden to Bob Stecklin. Mr. Stecklin will take it over in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon of Frederic spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Caid.

Jimmy Douglas of Grayling visited his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Douglas.

FREDERIC SCHOOL

Primary News

The children in the primary room have been molding different objects of clay.

We have also gained two new pupils, Ernest Elden Jorgenson and Dora Lee Payne.

Intermediate

This last week end a partition was removed between Mrs. Caid's and Mr. Stevenson's room to make a larger fifth and sixth grade room. Formerly there was not a large enough space in the room to seat all students comfortably.

Junior High

The members of the new student council from the 7th and 8th grade are Benny Allen and Connie Charron.

Both classes have started using "Current Events" in their Social Science class and are enjoying them very much.

High School

The High school members on the student council are: Kellis Charron, Jack Bigham, (Pres.), Lawrence Laughton, Helen Kellogg (Sec.), Doris Armstrong, Dora Feldhauser, Gloria Corsaut, Phyllis Lozon, who meet once a week to decide on certain problems which have developed during the week.

The Seniors are planning on sponsoring an amateur hour on March 22. The entire school may compete for prizes.

The Home Economics class have started on a unit "Home Care of the Sick." They plan to spend three weeks on the unit.

The Seniors had their pictures taken last week and are now waiting for results. They do hope the results are what they expect—flatter them of course.

The Speech class have been giving speeches each day in class and will do so for a few more days then will start on parliamentary procedure.

Frederic High drew Vanderbilt for the Basketball tournament which will be held in Grayling on Feb. 29, March 1 and March 2. They will play Friday night.

The whole school has started a courtesy campaign this week in hopes that we might accomplish something and have a few manners show up where we thought there were none. It is being developed from the idea "We might as well learn to live with people for we cannot live without them."

CCC Camp News

CAMP AU SABLE

V-1670 Co. CCC

(Too late for last week)

The first session of the class in gardening met in the greenhouse Wednesday night. Twenty were present and judging by the interest shown, Camp AuSable is going to be a beauty spot this summer.

Col. Shuman from Corps Area, and Maj. White from Camp Custer, inspected the camp Tuesday. They gave us a high rating in most of the items checked. Col. Shuman expressed great satisfaction with things in general.

The work of installing hot water heat in the library is well under way and we hope soon to be able to remove the stoves. This will add to the comfort and appearance of the room. It is already a very popular spot.

From 20 to 40 men are to be found there from 6 until 9:30.

The handicrafters are turning out some nice pieces of furniture, crochets, boards, purses, and other articles.

Enrollees Swartz and Vescio were transferred to the hospital at Camp Custer Tuesday night.

Harvey Gauthier is the proud father of twins, a boy and a girl, born last week. Mother and babies are doing nicely.

Edward Uher was caller to Chicago last week by the serious illness of his mother.

Olivero, Borganson and Victor took the Civil Service examinations in Detroit last week.

'Old Man River' Feels Pretty Low



It seems to be either a feast or a famine on the Mississippi. Either old man river is running amok all over the country, or he feels lower than a snake's bottom vest button. He's in the latter condition right now, and here you see him being measured with an engineer's gauge, which indicated that the Mississippi has hit a record low at St. Louis.

AMAZE A MINUTE

SCIENTIFACTS BY ARNOLD



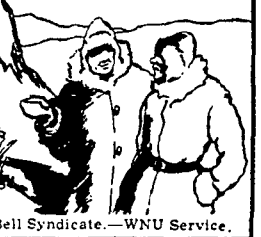
COLD TO WARM BLOOD!

PYTHONS, COLD-BLOODED SNAKES, BECOME ALMOST WARM BLOODED WHEN HATCHING THEIR EGGS.

THE NEW NORTHERN PLAINS—500 PLANT SPECIES GROW PROFUSELY WITHIN 400 MILES OF THE POLE ON THE ARCTIC BARRENS, RENAMED THE NORTHERN PLAINS BY CANADA

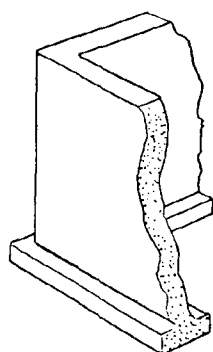
GNATS GIVE PINK EYES

PINK EYE (CONJUNCTIVITIS) HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE CAUSED BY A GNAT.



Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.

DON'T NEGLECT FUNDAMENTALS IN YOUR NEW HOME



1 This is a corner of the foundation and footings. Your whole house rests upon it. It can never be replaced.



2 This is the same foundation with timber skeleton now in place. Again here is a part of your home that can never be replaced.



3 Here is a rough window opening from the inside. Notice how the framing members are doubled all around the opening. Dark shaded portions show insulation in place between the studs.

Glitter of Gadgets Often Distracts Builder From Quality Where It's Needed Most

Are you building a house for the first time? Then chances are you are in kind of a daze. There are so many things to decide, so many things to buy, so many more things you want and can't buy because there is just so much money. Now there's nothing less glamorous than the concrete footings and foundation. One doesn't show them off to one's friends, but if you skip on either, you'll be busy for years to come trying to cover up cracked walls that all your friends will see.

Don't Skip On Framework Likewise the timber skeleton or frame of your house is going to be all covered up, but if you skip on it you'll have sagging floors that squeak at every step.

And how about those great big holes in the wall, the rough window openings. You can buy win-

dows and window frames to fill these holes pretty cheap. And you'll pay for them for years to come in heat lost, drafty floors and wet walls. Or, you can buy carefully designed, precision built and factory fitted windows and window frames complete with weatherstripping that will be a joy and a comfort every year that you live in your house. Yes, and you'll find that the extra cost was money well spent because of heat bills, repair bills and redecorating bills saved.

Can't Replace Windows

Good windows are a permanent part of your wall. They protect your investment in insulation and quality construction. Any home without weathertight windows is only one-half insulated. So when you build, get down to fundamentals. Always remember—you can add the gadgets any time, but you can't replace footings or timbers or windows. They've got to be good right from the start.

Lifting of Hat by Men

Traced to Early Custom

Why do men lift their hats to women? It is believed that the custom of uncovering the head as a mode of salutation originated in the military practices of the ancients.

In the days when men wore heavy armor a man would take off his helmet or headgear to show that he was not afraid to stand with head uncovered in the presence of another; it was an act expressive of confidence. Later it became customary to remove the headgear to show deference to a superior or as a mark of respect to a person of distinction, says the Rocky Mountain Herald. It was only a step further to lift the headdress as an act of politeness or gallantry to women and thus raising the hat gradually became a general method of greeting women.

The practice retains some of its earlier significance and many people still take off their hats to salute distinguished persons of either sex, and respect for the national flag is shown in same manner. Members of the Society of Friends do not believe in raising the hat. George Fox, the founder of the society, taught that a Christian should submit to persecution and even face death itself rather than touch his hat to the greatest of mankind, whether male or female.

When asked to produce Scriptural authority for his dogma on this subject, Fox cited the Biblical passage in which it is asserted that Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were thrown into fiery furnace with their hats on. He also pointed out that the Turks never show their bare heads to their superiors and said that they should be permitted to surpass Christians in virtue.

Expert Advises Against

Using Restaurant Lingo

John B. O'Meara, of Chicago, an expert on the proper and improper manner of restaurant service, has given waiters and waitresses tips on ways to get ahead in their business. Some pointers:

If a man orders milk toast the waitress should not yell: "Stew for a stiff."

Two poached eggs on toast should not be called "Adam and Eve on a raft," nor should frankfurters and sauerkraut be referred to as "dogs in the grass."

Headwaiters should never employ the old-fashioned trick of speeding up service by shouting: "Get a move on, you soup jockeys."

Waitresses should not paint their fingernails. It takes a customer's mind off his food. The advice is repeated for wearing engagement rings.

Both a spoon and fork should be served with a fruit cocktail, despite Emily Post's approval of the former, because when a customer prefers to eat with a fork he doesn't want to be bothered with telling the waiter about it.

The waiter or waitress should never place a napkin on the patron's lap. That's being too familiar.

The worst blunder O'Meara remembered was committed by a waitress who brought a customer a rare steak and remarked:

"I don't see how you can eat that stuff."

Mutt and Jeff Grass

According to the Country Home Magazine, plant explorers who searched the world over for the best grass to use in resodding the Kansas Dust Bowl have finally found it—in Kansas. This new-old grass is really two grasses, blue grama and buffalo. The Mutt and Jeff of the western plains. If the season is dry, the tall, tough grama rudely shoves its partner aside and takes over the field. But when wet weather comes, the short but subtle buffalo grass slyly slips in and regains its hold. These grasses are spread by sowing 300 pounds of their hay per acre with a manure spreader. The hay is harvested in September, sown in March, and punched into the soil with a wheel packer.

Ballot Box Stuffing

Ballot box stuffing and "mattress voters" were unnecessary to swing elections of the Charitable Female society of Bedford, Mass., during the early part of the Nineteenth century. The WPA historical records survey found in reports of the organization that a member was entitled to an extra vote at each meeting for each dollar paid in addition to regular 50-cent membership dues.

Deadwood Dick

Richard W. Clarke, a frontiersman of the Black Hills district, was known as Deadwood Dick. He became a noted character in the West, taking part in the Sioux wars, acting as express guard on stage coaches and aiding United States marshals in suppressing lawlessness. His alliterative name was popularized by dime novel writers. He died in 1880.

Floating Dock

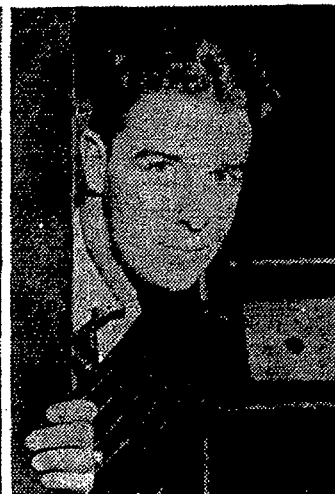
Secrecy surrounded the destination of a large floating dock which was towed from Portsmouth, England, recently, but rumor said it was destined for Alexandria, Egypt. Dockmen on board were provided comfortable quarters, with a swimming tank and a place to play cricket and other games on the dock.

It's Leap Year, Open Season on Bachelors, So if You:

Want to Get Married— Want to Stay Single— Are Already Married—



Remember that if clothes don't make the man, they at least help. Hours spent before the mirror may inspire vanity, but they'll pay big matrimonial dividends.



Be cautious! Stay home evenings and evade feminine companionship. Develop a grouch, don't answer the phone and quit writing letters. You can lose friends.



Ignore this advice. You have nothing to worry about. Make yourself comfortable at all costs, and develop sympathy for the plight of your unfortunate friends.



Non-partisan News Letter
Michigan Press Association
By GENE ALLEMAN

Lansing—The woods are full of deserving causes.

But few of them have the heart-throb appeal of old age pensions.

Here is an issue for politicians that is made to order, and it is becoming of greater importance each year. Pension checks have been known to increase suddenly on the eve of a state election; nominees shed salty tears as they pledge oratorically to give better treatment to the aged and infirm. In Colorado a generous pension for the aged nearly bankrupt the state treasury; California had its "ham and eggs" scheme and Ohio its Bigelow amendment last November to entice old age voters and to scare conservative business men.

In Michigan all public officials apparently agree that the state should find funds, somehow and somewhere, to put 25,000 to 30,000 persons on the old age assistance rolls who have already been qualified to receive such aid.

The merit of the cause is conceded. No one is going to argue about that.

McPherson's Forecast

When the chairman of a state tax commission predicts that both the old age assistance roll and the amount of individual payments will be increased by the next legislature (it convenes in regular session in 1941), then it's time to re-appraise the plan and inquire how it is going to be financed.

Furthermore, Melville B. McPherson, who holds this tax job at Lansing, confidently believes that the next step by state government will be the granting of an adequate pension to all elderly people whether they need it or not. In a talk at Michigan State college recently he explained its justification as follows: "The present method penalizes those who have saved their money during their productive years, and such a system cannot endure."

The original federal social security act (modeled upon

European experience) became a law August 14, 1935. Although it contained provisions for relief of seven different kinds, the public thinks of the act usually in terms of two: old age benefits (pension and assistance) and unemployment compensation.

Old age benefits are paid to retired workers on the basis of their previous earnings and are not to be confused with relief payments to aged indigent persons—this relief being called "old age assistance" in the federal act and the Michigan act which complements it.

Michigan and the federal government each pay one-half of these last mentioned payments or "pensions"; that is, provided the total per amount is not in excess of \$30.

1939 Amendments

The old age assistance part of the Social Security Act was materially changed by 1939 amendments made by Congress. The reserve feature was mostly eliminated, the basis for benefits changed, and benefits included for dependents and survivors. The rate was frozen at 1 per cent for the next three years, both employer and employee paying 1 per cent. Except for this amendment it would have been 1 1/2 per cent for 1940, 1941 and 1942. However, it still will go to 2 per cent in 1943 unless another amendment is made in the meantime.

The former basis for old age pensions (apart from assistance for the indigent infirm) was largely dependent upon the total wages earned over a period of years; also no benefits were payable until 1942.

Now the basis for benefits is the average monthly wage, and the length of time worked is an insignificant factor in the benefit, being only an addition of 1 per cent of the benefit for each year worked.

Furthermore, benefits for the person of low monthly wage are made larger in proportion to said earning, and benefits are payable beginning January, 1940, or two years before the time set in the original law of 1935.

Requirements

As the average reader of "Michigan Mirror" expects to be alive at 65, here are the requirements for your benefit payments at that age.

Minimum requirements for benefit payments are now only one and a half years of work. Those over 65 years of age are now required to pay tax and are eligible for benefits after completing at least six quarters and retiring from gainful employment except a monthly earning of \$15 or less is not deducted from the benefits allowed.

The benefits to the wife who is over 65 is one-half of her hus-

band's allowance, which allowance is called the "primary insurance benefit" and each dependent child under 18 receives the same. A widow over 65 receives three-fourths of the primary insurance benefit and dependent children one-half in case of the death of the husband and father.

It will be noted that the word "insurance" is contained in the 1939 amended act, and it seems that the present law is similar to an insurance policy whereas the original act was more like an annuity policy.

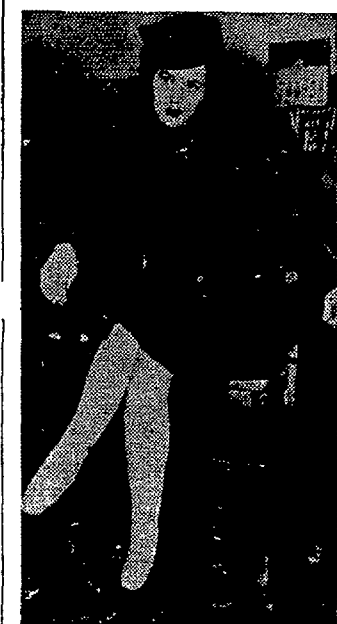
Pensions and Taxes

If the 1941 legislature is going to increase the appropriation for old age assistance, providing funds to add a minimum of 25,000 persons to the assistance roll, then how is this deserving cause to be financed?

Mr. McPherson points to the intangible tax revived in 1939. The state association of township supervisors, meeting recently in Lansing, went on record as favoring a return of one-third of all sales tax revenues to the township for unemployment, relief and welfare purposes.

With a red ink deficit of \$31,000,000 in Michigan's general fund, the well merited need of more old age assistance presents a real problem to Michigan taxpayers. It is not our function to suggest the answer; we only present the facts as we find them and try to interpret the trend.

AIDS IN HOLD-UPS

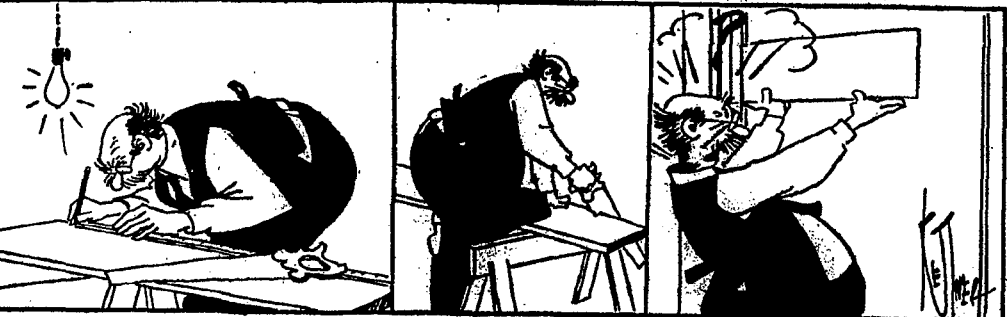
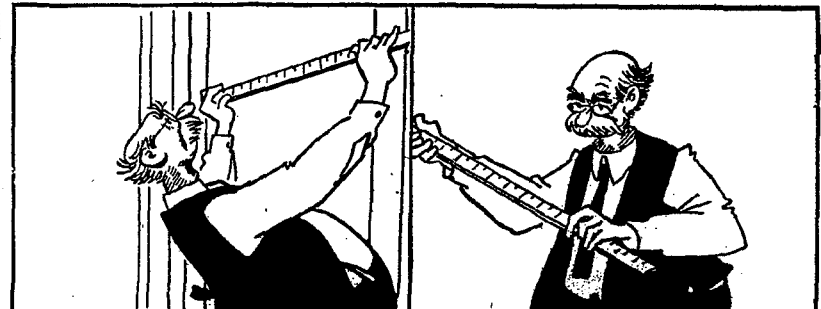


Dolores Downey, pretty 13-year-old girl, dressed in the height of fashion, calmly confessed to the police in Chicago that she had taken active part in four hold-ups and acted as lookout in several others.

PETER B. PEEVE



(WNU Service)



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LOCALS

THURSDAY, FEB. 29, 1940

The Ladies Aid society will meet Friday at the parsonage. Members please be present.

The Junior Ladies Aid of Michelson Memorial church will meet Tuesday evening, March 5th, at the church.

Your 1939 auto license tag will be of no use to you after midnight tonight—Feb. 29. Avoid trouble by getting them now.

The Crawford County Sportsmen's Club will meet at the Moose hall Thursday, March 7. Outdoor movies of fish and game will be shown.

Camp Swastika on the AuSable, had a houseful of guests over the week end, here for a winter vacation of snowshoeing and skiing. They included Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stanton, Harry Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Roderick and Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick, all of Grosse Isle.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Penrod entertained their Lake Maize friends Saturday night at cards. They decided that their home on the river was too small for the crowd met at the William Hill home. A very pleasant evening was spent with the hostess serving a delicious lunch.

Dickie Bissonette, 7 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bissonette, had the misfortune to fall at his home Wednesday afternoon and cut a deep gash in his chin. He was carrying his scooter when he fell, striking his chin on it. The gash required two clamps to close it.

"Our Gang" club met at the home of Mrs. John Stephan Jr. on the AuSable, Wednesday afternoon of last week. The ladies enjoyed games and later in the afternoon the party was turned into a shower for Mrs. Barton Wakeley. The committee served a delicious lunch to the 31 ladies present.

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Watch for the Saint Patrick's dance to be given by the Grayling Chapter O. E. S. at the Masonic Temple.

Anyone having resort property for sale near a lake or river please call Harley Russell secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Crawford County Sportsmen's Club will meet at the Moose hall Thursday, March 7. Outdoor movies of fish and game will be shown.

Ernest Borchers has been ill at his home since Friday, having suffered a heart attack that night. He is recovering nicely however, and soon will be able to be out and around again.

Pinocle tournament, at Spike's Keg O' Nails, beginning March 4, 8:00 p. m. sharp. All entries must be in by 6 p. m., March 4. This tournament is open to everyone, both men and women.

The Grayling Chapter O. E. S. will hold a school of instruction at the Masonic Temple March 4. Ruth Chubb, Grand Warder, of Marquette, will be the instructor. This will be a joint school with the Fidelity Chapter of Roscommon. The school begins at 8:00 o'clock sharp.

Peter Lovely has caught the "spring house-cleaning" fever early. He has had the kitchen of the Green Front Restaurant thoroughly cleaned. Walls have been nicely repainted gray and some new cupboards have been built. Ervin Sampsel was the painter on the job.

Twenty-eight ladies enjoyed a social meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary at the hall Tuesday evening. Miss Olga Nielsen held the high score for pinocle. Mrs. Floyd McClain for bridge and Mrs. Charles Melichar for Chinese checkers. The hostesses, whom were Mrs. A. J. Nelson and Mrs. Carl Nielsen, served a delicious lunch, closing a pleasant evening.

The Grayling City firemen and their families met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cody Monday evening to spend a social evening together. Pinocle and Bunco were enjoyed with honors going to Homer King, Truman LaVack, and Amos Hoesli for pinocle and Mrs. Middle LaMotte and daughter Ruth for bunco. A delicious lunch, prepared by the committee, was served later in the evening.

Recently, Miss Violette Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Collins of Vernon, Mich., was united in marriage to Mr. Theodore Cusack, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Cusack of Muir, Mich. The nuptials were solemnized at a high mass at St. Mary's Catholic church at Durand. Attending the couple were the bride's cousin, John Conklin and the groom's sister Miss Ann Marie Cusack. The bride's mother, who was a former Grayling girl, will be remembered as Dessa Goudrow.

Mrs. Elizabeth Foley is ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jordan of Melvor, are the proud parents of a daughter, born to them at their home Wednesday, February 21.

Mrs. P. C. Stockholm was hostess to the Danish Ladies Reading club at her home Friday afternoon.

The Catholic Woman's Guild will meet Tuesday afternoon, March 5th, at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Laurant.

Burke's Garage reports the sale of a 1940 Deluxe Tudor Ford to Max Estelle, and a 1940 Deluxe Tudor Ford to F. P. Thornton.

A daughter, Brenda Jean, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rankin, of Houghton Lake, at Mercy Hospital, Friday, February 23.

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Miss Gail Welsh is leaving tonight (Thursday) to make a tour of the south. She will spend some time visiting her sister, Mrs. Douglas Sterling, in Los Angeles, Calif.

Grayling Woman's Club will meet Monday evening at 7:30, March 4th, in room 44 at the school house. Program will be in charge of Mrs. Harry Connine.

The Ladies Aid society of the Michelson Memorial church will meet at the home of Mrs. H. W. Kuhlman for an afternoon meeting, Friday, March 1st, at 2:30.

Mrs. Jess Sales celebrated her birthday anniversary Friday and several ladies dropped in to spend the afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Sales.

Letters received from Mrs. William McNeven, who is making a stay in Bradenton, Florida, the guest of Mrs. Vera Gilson, says she is having a very enjoyable time.

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Grayling District Nurses will hold a special meeting Wednesday, March 6, at 2 p. m. at the Nurses Home of the Northern Sanitarium at Gaylord. The afternoon will be spent sewing for the Red Cross.

Mrs. Eugene Papendick was hostess to two tables of bridge Friday afternoon at her home. Mrs. George Granger and Mrs. Carl Nielsen held the high and low scores respectively. The hostess served a delicious lunch.

As Thursday was the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Hansine Hanson, several ladies dropped in to wish her many happy returns of the day. Various games were enjoyed by those present and the hostess served a delicious lunch.

The members of the Townsend Club voted to have their meetings at 705 Maple Street, located between Lake and Vine streets, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp Monday evening and every Monday till further notice. All are welcome to attend.

Members of Grayling Post 106 enjoyed a stag party at their hall Thursday night, to celebrate Washington's Birthday. There was not as large a crowd as was expected but everyone present had a pleasant evening playing cards. The evening wound up with a Dutch lunch served.

The Ladies National League had such a nice turnout at their dance Saturday night that they plan to have another such party in the near future. The affair was held at the Grange hall and the oldtime dances made the crowd lively and full of pep. Lunch was served at midnight.

With the Oddfellow-Moose pinocle tournament half way along, the Oddfellows are leading with some 4500 points. They play on Monday nights. As for the Mason-Legion series the Masons are trailing by some 5000 points. The latter play on Tuesday nights, however this week and next they are meeting on Wednesday nights. Members of all these organizations are welcome to participate in these tournaments. More are getting interested each week with larger crowds in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kennel and George Cook and his mother Mrs. Cook dropped in at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley Monday for an evening of cards. Messrs Wilson, Kennel and Cook who reside near Detroit, are here enlarging the Newton Skillman cottage on the AuSable. Air-Log logs, of course, are being used as Mr. Skillman, who is president of the O. & S. Bearing Co., Detroit, is also connected with the National Log Construction Company here.

A. K. Braidwood is driving a new 1940 deluxe four door Plymouth.

The Woman's Club met with Mrs. Thomas Cassidy Monday evening at the Annex.

Dr. Martha Serr will be back, ready for work in the Health Studio, Monday, March 4th.

The Women of the Moose will have their social evening at the Moose hall Monday evening, March 4.

Tom Welsh and Leonard Knibbs have returned home after spending some time in California. They left last fall by auto taking in the sights on their way down.

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Howard Bunker was next in line as the result of the examination for janitor for the Post office. He will assume his duties today, filling the vacancy caused by the passing of Sherman Neal.

The Wednesday Night club, to which some twelve young high school girls belong, enjoyed a Valentine party at the home of Yvette Stephan last week. The lunch was lovely with valentine appointments.

Don't forget the smelt supper given by the Womens Home Missionary society, at Michelson Memorial church dining room Wednesday evening, March 13th. All the smelt and French fried potatoes you can eat for 50c. 2t

The Past Matrons Club of Grayling Chapter of the O. E. S. met at the home of Mrs. E. J. Olson Wednesday evening. Plans to earn money for the powder room at the Masonic Temple were discussed. The hostess served a tasty lunch later in the evening.

Kiwanis father and son or daughter banquet will be open to the public, on Thursday evening, 6:45 o'clock, March 7, at Michelson Memorial church dining rooms. Dinner served by Ladies Aid Society. 75c per person. The speaker will be Lewis C. Reimann of Ann Arbor.

Don Sweeney has resigned his position as manager of the local office of the Michigan Public Service Co., taking effect today. He has held that position for the past year and he and his family have made a lot of good friends among Grayling people who will be sorry to have them leave. Don has been an active member of the local Kiwanis club.

Mrs. Esbern Hanson was hostess to the ladies of her bridge club Wednesday afternoon at her home. The luncheon table was lovely with a bouquet of pink roses. Honor scores for bridge, which followed the luncheon, were held by Mrs. Harry Connine, Mrs. Emil Giegling and Mrs. A. J. Joseph. Miss Georgianna Olson was a guest of the club.

Mrs. B. A. Cooley and Mrs. Julia Burrows have opened a Swedish massage house in Flint, starting last Tuesday. The firm name will be Cooley & Burrows. Mrs. Cooley had been in a ladies ready-to-wear business in Grayling many years and is well known here. Mrs. Burrows represents a cosmetics firm and also is well known in Grayling. We wish the new firm success.

The County Health unit held their meeting at the Grange Hall Thursday afternoon. They had as their speaker for the meeting, Marius Hanson of Mac & Gidley's who gave a very interesting talk on medicine and cosmetics and what they are composed of. A very delicious lunch was served on beautifully decorated tables, with George Washington motif carried throughout the decorations.

The annual district basketball tournament will begin tonight, at Grayling school gym. Seven teams are entered. Tonight Grayling will meet Gaylord and Onaway will meet Mancelona in Class C games. In Class D, Johannesburg will meet Gaylord St. Mary's. Frederic, Roscommon and Vanderbilt drew byes and will meet the winners of Thursday night's games on Friday. Saturday night will witness the finals in both class C and D.

DR. NEWTON COMING

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Dutch Prison

One of the most typical and charming of Dutch towns is Gorkum, in the vicinity of which is Loerstein castle, interesting to tourists as having been the prison of Hugo Grotius. Allowed the consolation of his wife and his books, she smuggled him out of prison as a box of books.

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Call Out the Guards
An angry woman rushed into the clerk's office. In her hand she bore a license. Turning to the clerk: "Did you, or did you not, issue this license for marrying me to Albert Briggs?" she demanded.
"Yes, I believe I did. Why?"
"Well, what are you going to do about it?" she stormed. "He's escaped."

Mother's Tricks

"Did you see that, dad? That conjurer changed half-a-dollar into a silk handkerchief."
"That's nothing. Your mother can change a five-dollar bill into a small hat."

ATTRACTIVE GIRL

She—Her father is a steel magnate, of course you know?
He—That's why she's so attractive to me, I suppose.

Trouble Ahead

The lady of the house suspected that one of her two sons was paying attention to the maid. Anxious to find out which one, she said to the girl: "Norah, supposing you had the opportunity of going to the movies with one of my sons, which one would you prefer?"
"Well," replied Norah, "it's hard to say, for I've had grand times with the both of them, but for a real, rollicking spree, give me the master!"

Better Method

Mabel—When you have a quarrel with your husband, do you threaten to go home to your mother?
Ruth—No, indeed—what good would that do? I threaten to have mother come here.

It All Adds Up

Visitor—Well, your baby is certainly a cute little rascal. Does he take after his father?
Mother—Well, yes, in a way. His father is not quite so cute, but much more of a rascal.



PRETTY HIGH-TONED

Mr. A., who discovered two mice in a trap, addressed the lady of the house in the following brief language: "Estimable madam, immediately disengage these obnoxious rodents from the shackles which have environed them and promptly convey their pestiferous carcasses across the street where the neighbor's happy feline may indulge in their luscious substance and partake of their most delightful and stimulating qualities which appeal to his marvelous appetite and enrich his inner propensities for the devouring of these detestable and troublesome creatures which inhabit our domicile."

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TRAINED SEALS BUT THEY RESPOND TO AD SUGGESTIONS

Dinner Time

When winter is drawing to a close, or snows lie deep, Michigan game refuge keepers put out food for deer. Above, guests of Elton W. Work of St. Helen, in charge of the Ogema game refuge north of West Branch, show little concern at the photographer's approach. Michigan's whitetail herds are reported to be getting through the present winter in good shape.

(Photo by Michigan Department of Conservation.)

TAXPAYERS ATTEND
FLINT MEETING

(Continued from first page)

have been beaten by the organized job holders, even though their intent was merely to make such a step permissive rather than mandatory. Dr. Upson suggested that perhaps the next one should be written so as to apply only to a few larger industrial counties in the State which have steadily voted favorable majorities in past elections. Dr. Upson also predicted that the movement for citizen study of government costs has already progressed far enough to insure the passage next year of legislation which will tighten the methods used to collect taxes from existing sources of revenue and provide a scientific budget making formula for Michigan, which until this year has handled its nearly quarter-billion dollar volume of business "by pure guess work."

Modern business accounting principles and methods now being introduced, Upson said, are beginning to clarify the picture surrounding the State's thirty-three million dollar deficit, but better legislation is needed to prevent such a deficit accruing again, once a way to liquidate this one has been found. Thus, new and additional taxation, in the shape of a state income tax and other new levies can be averted, he predicted, and the public will be free to alter the state constitution so that millions of dollars need no longer be wasted in the maintenance of unnecessary and overlapping functions and services in the local and county governments.

Arnold explained how what seems at first glance a monumental task is, in reality, in the examination of 250,000 transactions of a county government over a ten year period, actually made easy when business-minded members of a community enlist to do the work themselves. Waste and extravagance melt away in the face of this kind of intensive, continuous scrutiny which gives to every member of the community the actual knowledge of what government is costing him. Protests that are not based on his kind of foundation were contemptuously dismissed by Arnold as "namby-pamby." Both he and Eldean praised the determination of Michigan to prepare to put its governmental house in order.

"Twenty thousand people who will take the trouble to inform themselves as you two hundred delegates are doing can soon make the remainder of the one million or more voting citizens among Michigan's five million population aware of the proper course to follow to obtain cheaper and better government," said Eldean, whose organized taxpayer activity reduced New York's 1940 budget twenty-six million dollars, and is again being brought into play against proposed increases in the 1941 budget.

Editor O. P. Schumann of Grayling was among the delegates in attendance at the meeting.

Flower Poisoning

A case of skin poisoning traced to the handling of chrysanthemum leaves is pronounced the first of its kind in medical literature.

Lumber Jills
New Feature At
Mich. Sports Show

Playing "follow the leader" with Mary Jean Malott of Cornish, Wis., world's champion woman birler, would be a strenuous game if she included jumping over the back of a chair from a slippery log in the stunts.

Mary Jean and her log-rolling partner, Marietta Phipps will provide daily thrills at the Michigan Sportsmen's and Boat Show at Convention Hall, Detroit, from March 2 to 10.

These two lumber jills took part in Frank Wixom's big picnic at Edenville, Mich., last summer and as a result were engaged for the Sports Shows in Boston, New York, Detroit, Indianapolis and Buffalo for 1940.

Eskimo Family; Arctic Explorer
At Mich. Sports Show March 2-10

David Irwin, only man ever to have crossed Arctic America alone—a journey of 3,600 miles—here shown with two children of the Mayokok family of Eskimos from Cape Prince of Wales, Alaska, who will accompany him to the Third Annual Michigan Sportsmen's and Boat Show at Convention Hall, Detroit, opening this coming Saturday, March 2, and continuing daily, including Sundays, until March 10.

Irwin will have an Arctic Village exhibit at the show, including the Eskimo family of father, mother and four children. They were one of the feature attractions at the New York World's Fair last year.

The Hand and the Crutch



This girl, who is lending a helping hand to the crippled youngster, pictorially presents the theme of the 1940 Easter Seal "for Crippled Children." The crutch is symbolic of the orthopaedic correction, an early step in a well-rounded program "for Crippled Children." The books denote education, valuable to all, but even more valuable to the child who, handicapped in body, must someday depend solely on a trained mind in the fight for economic security. The smile on the face of the crippled lad shows the courageous spirit that fills him. The hand, leading the child, represents the personal direction of an awakened society, a society that realizes how important it is that every physical handicap child be given the chance for its best possible physical, mental, and spiritual development. The seal, of which this is a real-life counterpart, is a token of goodwill "for Crippled Children." Get your seals now. Supt. Gerald L. Poor of Grayling schools is chairman of the Easter Seal sale in Grayling.

Fishing, New Style!



Smelt fishermen's shanties on ice of Crystal lake at Beulah, on Lake Charlevoix and elsewhere, provide warmth and home-like comforts for thousands who dangle lines in water to hook the little, silvery fishes. Lines are reeled in rapidly and many fishermen have put smelt catching on a production basis. As night fishing for smelt continues to gain in popularity, these "towns on ice" attract increasing numbers of visitors from other sections of the state. (Picture by Department of Conservation).

ERROR OF OUR WAYS

Culls From the News Column.
The ladies of the Helping Hand society are interested in anything you can spare around the house, an old pair of trousers, a vest, even an old coat would be welcome.—Loma (Calif.) Globe.

Miss Jane Evans, local nimrod, came home with a husky, big-mouth boss late Saturday afternoon, landing it successfully after a 12-minute fight out at Piney lake.—Benton (Mich.) Times.

Miss Bina Parrish suffered injuries Saturday while cleaning her china closet. The ladder collapsed on which she was standing, and she fell, fracturing two ribs, breaking her compote, and cracking her carafe.—Alvarado (N. M.) Times.

Miss Lillie Hobard and Clem C. Nash were married in Boston some weeks ago. They are both very highly respected and we did not suspect it until yesterday.—Jennings (Vt.) Inquirer.

THE HAMMER CAMPAIGN



First Politician—Seen that lie about us the opposition tacked up around town?
Second Politician—I have that!
First Politician—Well, I've nailed it!

Fine Garden

Pahson—Well, Rastus, that's a fine garden you have.
Rastus—Yes, Pahson.
Pahson—Youse must thank the Almighty for that.

Rastus—Yes, Pahson.
Pahson—What a patch of cabbage you have there!
Rastus—Yes, Pahson.
Pahson—Youse must thank the Almighty for that.

Rastus (eyeing Pahson thoughtfully)—Pahson, did you eber see dis piece ob ground when de Almighty had it all to Himself?

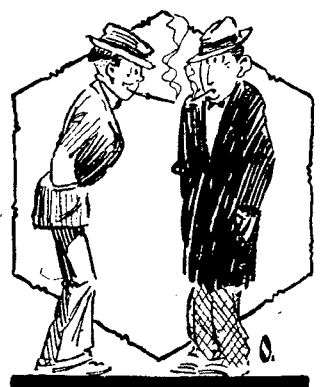
Scanty Apparel

Sam, who works at the wash rack, was talking to his girl—Liza, did you wear dem flowahs ah sent you de odder night, gal?
Liza—Yez, Sam, ah didn't wear nothing else but.
Sam—Doggone, Liza, you musta near froze!

Nothing Cheap

"Lady, if you will give us a nickel my little brother will imitate a hen."
"What will he do?" asked the lady.
"Cackle!"
"Naw," replied the boy in disgust. "He wouldn't do a cheap imitation like that. He'll eat a worm."

TIRED OF MARRIED LIFE



"A noted physician says life may be greatly prolonged by cutting out unnecessary noise."
"Oh, that chap's just tired of married life!"

Willing to Oblige

Mandy, who washed for Mrs. Frisk, came to work one day with a tale of woe calculated to awaken pity in the hardest heart.
"Cheer up, Mandy," said Mrs. Frisk consolingly. "There's no use in worrying."
"How come dere's no use in worryin'?" asked Mandy. "When de good Lawd send me tribulation, He 'spects me to tribulate, don't He?"

Efficient?

Jeannie's father had influenza, and her mother was sterilizing the dishes he had used.
"Mother, why are you boiling those dishes?" she asked.
"You see, dear, Daddy has germs, and they get on the dishes he uses. I boil the dishes to kill the germs."
"Couldn't you kill all the germs at once if you boiled Daddy?"

Honor Among Thieves

Judge—You broke into the tobacco shop just to get a 10-cent cigar, eh? Then what were you doing in the cash register?
Suspect—Putting in the dime.

He Wouldn't Know

Young Father—Is there any time at which children cease to be a constant worry?
Oldboy—I don't know. My oldest child is only 65.

Social Workers Plan for 67th Annual National Conference



Program builders of the National Conference of Social Work, each year stir up an alphabet soup rivaling that of the New Deal in mapping the extensive program of this big annual meeting of laymen, professionals and others interested in social welfare. More than 400 meetings for the 67th annual session of the Conference, which is to be held in Grand Rapids, May 26 to June

1, are scheduled on this 30 foot long and 20 foot high chart, which according to convention authorities, is the most efficient schedule ever devised. All organizations are shown on the chart by the first letters in the titles. Once adopted the alphabetical titles become official and are used almost exclusively by the 8,000 or more delegates who annually participate.

Howard R. Knight, general

secretary, is pointing to some of the highlights of the Conference program in this picture. His audience is Judge Clark E. Higbee, chairman of the Michigan Conference of Social Work and Mrs. Helen L. Daley, chairman of the Michigan membership committee of the Conference.

In Crawford county the membership campaign is being directed by Mrs. E. J. Olson of Grayling.

AMERICAN INDUSTRY
NOT OVER-EXPANDING

Declaring that American industry, profiting by the over-expansion mistakes made during the World War, "is now keeping its feet on the ground and is not permitting the largely verbal purchasing promises of warring nations to cause them to repeat industrial expansion errors of 1914-1918," Walter S. Mack, Jr., President of the Pepsi-Cola Company, Friday told more than 100 students attending the company's advanced sales school that "for the present, business gains must be made at home."

"The World War caused thousands of manufacturing companies in this country to spend millions of dollars in new building and equipment in order to meet the demands of warring nations. "Then, after America entered the war," Mr. Mack went on, "still more millions—actually billions—were poured into additional industrial expansion—an expansion which was caused by the necessity of America not only supplying the needs of its own war machine, but also definitely assisting in supplying the Allies with material necessary to aid them in the prosecution of the war."

"The result of this tremendous over-expansion reached its inevitable conclusion," Mr. Mack declared, "in that when the Armistice came, industry was so over-expanded, and production had been geared to a point where it was impossible for America to assimilate all it had produced and was then producing. Came then the end of an inflated and unnatural prosperity—a war-induced prosperity—a prosperity not founded on normal production, normal buying power, or a normal scale of living. The end of the war-time industrial rainbow was, of course, depression, recession, and a procession of hard times, still no stranger to this nation."

"Thus it is that American industry, profiting by the over-expansion mistakes of the World War, is keeping its feet on the ground today."

Venice Tax

There are many miles of paths on which to walk in Venice, but no visitor need worry about being lost. After rambling between old palaces for miles he may not know where he is, but he can always call a gondola on the canal and be back in his hotel in a few minutes.

Aluminum Cloth

Cloth made of closely woven aluminum wire has been produced as a weather-resisting material for screening doors and windows.

Church News

Calvary Church

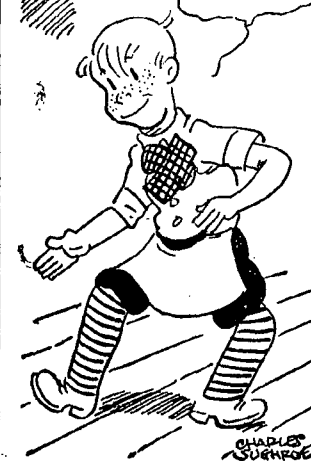
The Book—2 Tim 3:16
The Blood Heb 9:22
That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13
Mission Station
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Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
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PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

State Parent-Teacher association will hold a meeting in Bay City March 11th, from 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

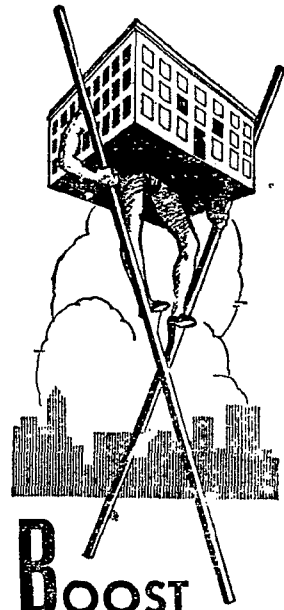
Mrs. Walter H. Buhlig, of Chicago, a national field worker, will deal with all phases of parent-teacher work.

Unfortunately Grayling has no parent-teacher organization, however we trust those interested in this feature of our schools will plan to attend the Bay City meeting.

Similar meetings will be held in Gaylord March 5th and in West Branch March 11th.

Diamonds in Industry

Industry is now using 50 per cent, by weight, of all the diamonds sold each year. The remaining half of the stones sold probably go to decorate the person, to delight the eye, to form a convenient concentration of wealth and make business for the money lenders.



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